

## Message Text

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SUBJ: MEDIA REACTION REPORT

FOR IOP/M, IEA

1. FOLLOWING IS COMPLETE TEXT OF EDITORIAL IN MAY 29  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE CHINA NEWS TITLED: "A WOLF FOR VOA":

2. (BEGIN TEXT) AS A SOMETIMES CRITIC OF THE VOICE OF  
AMERICA, WE'D LIKE TO SAY A WORD IN ITS DEFENSE.

3. CONGRESS PERSONS (IT SOUNDS AWFUL BUT ONE IS BELLA  
ABZUG) RECENTLY JUMPED ALL OVER VOA FOR REPORTING WITH  
A U.S. BIAS.

4. WHAT ELSE? VOA IS THE AMERICAN RADIO PROPAGANDA  
OUTLET OVERSEAS. IT IS UNREASONABLE TO EXPECT THAT VOA  
WILL BITE ITS MASTER'S HAND.

5. VOA'S OBJECTIVITY COMPARES FAVORABLY WITH THAT OF OTHER  
GOVERNMENT BROADCAST SERVICES--NOT EXCEPTING THE  
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REDOUBTABLE BBC. IMAGINE BBC SAYING SOMETHING NASTY  
ABOUT QUEEN ELIZABETH.

6. PRIVATELY OWNED BROADCAST SERVICES ALSO HAVE THEIR

PREJUDICES. DOES A LISTENER ABROAD GET A MORE TRUTHFUL  
REPORT ABOUT U.S. AFFAIRS FROM CBS, NVC OR ABC? HE'LL  
HEAR MORE CRITICISM OF THE GOVERNMENT. WHETHER THIS  
REPRESENTS OBJECTIVITY IS ANOTHER MATTER. VOA IS SURELY  
ENTITLED TO REPRESENT THE GOVERNMENT'S POINT OF VIEW --  
NOT THAT A REASONABLE BALANCE WOULD NOT BE WELCOME. (END  
TEXT). CLARKE

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